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LAHAINA INJECTION WELLS

## Nancy:

There are a great number of us here in West Maui who greatly favor the use of recycled waste water for irrigation purposes both to reduce the use of potable water that is now going for these purposes, and to reduce the present disposal of the excess waste water by injection into wells.

What potable water we have is sorely needed for human consumption here in West Maui since it is often inadequate and at a premium because of low rainfall, increasing population usage due to extensive development which is continuing, and use of potable water for irrigation purposes.

Obtaining water for irrigation of crops and landscaping by recycling waste water would obviously leave more of the potable water for the increasing human consumption need.

In addition, this would provide a much better way of dealing with the waste water than the present practice of injecting the excess into wells with the unavoidable seepage of it into the coastal areas with resultant damage to our priceless and dwindling pristine oceanic treasure.

Thank you for considering this very strong recommendation to add infrastructure to increase our recycling of our waste water and to deliver it to the areas of utilization for irrigation.

Sincerely:

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